



**W**HOLESONE bustle pervades Washington life just now, and the week's end has been full of life and action.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt always bring new life to the Capital, and to hear once more at nightfall the lively clatter of horses' hoofs over the pavements of the streets near the White House, as the Chief Executive returns from one of his long rides, is quite exhilarating.

Then there are always such dignitaries as the foreign ambassador calling to leave cards—Baroness Mayor, the wife of the Italian ambassador, carried the fetchingest sort of a big flowered parasol when she drove by yesterday afternoon—and the heroes of the army and navy, with distinguished folks from out of town, and, in fact, from all over the world.

The dinner at the White House last night was the awakening from many months of darkness for the state dining room, and foretells a long list of distinguished people at brilliant dinner parties there this season.

It is a lot of trouble to move a President and his family, and though there was considerable state and dignity about the arrival of the Roosevelts, there was just an ordinary bustle and bustle about the arrival and unloading of the horses, carriages, luggage, family pets, and household goods. Lorretta, the parrot, which terrorized everything and everybody at the White House during the first winter there of President Roosevelt's family did not return, and there are fewer pets than ever to divide the attention of the children. The departure of Kermit, the President's second son, for school, consigned most of the pets to Oyster Bay for the winter as well as the summer, for it was only at his earnest solicitation that they were ever brought to the Executive Mansion.

Mrs. Roosevelt found a perfect wilderness of flowers upon her arrival, all of the Cabinet members having sent a lavish contribution, while Admiral Dewey, General Chaffee, and others were no less generous.

During various visits to New York this fall, Mrs. Roosevelt was measured for the new gowns she selected, and unless something happens to put a damper on social proceedings, the old brilliancy and effervescence of the President's first months in the White House will be renewed. The new Cabinet women will bring a renewal of interest in official society, and unless its various members fall into mourning over the death of some one somewhere—which has been the case in the Cabinet family for some years past—there will be a fine array of new gowns and new faces in line to greet the callers at public receptions and other White House functions.

With three new Cabinet women in line this season, it is seldom that the close of an Administration has held such novelty and interest for public visitors. Mrs. Metcalf, wife of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, being the only one of the three new Cabinet members' wives who is familiar with Washington society.

Miss Wilson's departure from Washington tomorrow will leave a perfectly vacant place in official society, for besides being reckoned with Cabinet hostesses she has graced more private social functions than any other woman of the Cabinet family.

Mrs. Roosevelt did not return to the White House with the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, but stayed in New York for a visit with her father's family. She has a number of visits promised yet, before settling down to social affairs for the season. She has had a wonderfully busy and brilliant summer, scarcely resting for a day, and Washington people will be glad to have her back. Why, everyone, from the social leaders to the ushers at the White House, loves Miss Roosevelt, dote on her boyish ways, and laugh at her effervescent flow of spirits. She is exactly like the President in disposition.

Bishop Satterlee's luncheon to the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Davidson, with the reception at the Corcoran Gallery later, followed at night by the dinner at the White House, and all preceded by a sightseeing visit about the city in the morning, gave the renowned prelate a fair idea of the strenuous pace of life at the Capital.

Houses in the Northwest are gradually opening, and there is a sufficient number of people back in town to render the walks and drives exceedingly interesting. The Washington people who summered at Manchester and other North Shore resorts near Boston, still remain there, and are enjoying the fall pleasures quite as much as they did those of the summer.

Mrs. B. H. Warder and the Misses Warder will not likely open their house here until the middle of October, but Mrs. Ward Thoron will return with her family on the 1st of October.

The arrival of the North Atlantic training squadron in Hampton Roads Friday morning caused Old Point and the several hotels there to assume a spirit of great activity. Many of the wives of the officers of the several ships in the squadron have arrived, and are at the Chamberlin and Sherwood Inn.

### Social Gossip

Every phase of life about the President's family interested the public, from the cut of Mrs. Roosevelt's riding dress when she goes out with the President, to the prattle of the children through the White House halls.

In simple white sailor hat and black riding habit, only enlivened by a glimpse of yellow riding boots from beneath her skirt, Mrs. Roosevelt presents a picture of absolute simplicity in dress. Ethel, the younger daughter of the family, a girl of twelve, who has spent her time since returning in playing tennis or driving with her mother, wears a simple blue cotton cloth frock and a natty navy blue serge reefer and sailor hat, while the two younger boys are dressed in their summer suits of cotton or linen goods. It was in this sort of a simple suit that Quentin, the baby of the family, trundled himself about the great rotunda of the White House yesterday afternoon, sitting on a single roller skate and paddling along with both hands and feet.

Quentin has a new play-fellow, a goat, which he has named "William the White." Asked why he called the goat "William the White" instead of "White William," he answered with characteristic reason, "Because, it sounds more like I had made it up if I put it that way."

Mrs. Roosevelt at once began the direction of fall flower planting upon her arrival, and in another week the east and west roof gardens will glow with brilliant fall blossoms, while the beds at the south front of the house will blossom with asters and chrysanthemums.

Speaking of Miss Wilson suggests an interesting story of the Walsh's trip through Colorado in an automobile during the summer. When the party was nearing Denver, at which place they were to take their touring car, there was considerable delay at a small way station, and upon inquiry it was found that just as the train was about to pull out a young man—a tramp—was found riding on the trucks under the train. He was hauled out, and in his argument Mrs. Walsh, who had joined the curious crowd at the car windows, overheard him in cheerful tones say that he would have continued his walk to Denver but for his sore feet, made worse by ill fitting and worn shoes.

With the great kindness of heart which characterizes her, Mrs. Walsh in-



MRS. LEVI Z. LEITER.

Mrs. Leiter, the mother of Lady Curzon, is hurrying to the other side of the world in an effort to reach the bedside of her daughter and comfort her in her serious illness. Mrs. Leiter is one of the handsomest and most distinguished matrons of Washington, and though she has not entertained to any great extent or in a large way since the marriage of Lady Curzon, the big Leiter mansion on Dupont Circle has ever since been open to the friends of the family in the most hospitable way.

With the family in mourning for the late L. Z. Leiter, whose death occurred a few months ago, and the illness of Lady Curzon, it is feared the Leiter mansion will not be opened this winter.

of approval of Mr. Wagner's last book, "By the Fireside." Mr. Wagner advocates simple living, for both the rich and poor as the only means of happiness. The teachings of this simple Alaskan are so popular in Paris that over a thousand people are turned away at each sermon delivered in the Evangelical Liberal Chapel of Arquebustiers.

Admiral William Clinton Wise will retire from the navy on November 8, and will relinquish the command of the training squadron to Capt. Royal Bird Bradford, now the commanding officer of the battleship Illinois. Captain Bradford will be promoted to an admiral, and, according to the present arrangements, he will hoist his flag over the Minneapolis in Hampton Roads, when Admiral Wise "lifts" his and quits the navy.

Admiral Wise and his training ship will remain in Hampton Roads until November, and it is not the intention of the retiring admiral to take another official cruise with the squadron.

Mrs. Wise and her children reached the Chamberlin Hotel Friday morning. It is understood that Admiral Wise will make his permanent residence at the Hotel Chamberlin after his retirement.

### At Old Point

Among the many prominent visitors stopping at the Chamberlin Hotel are Captain and Mrs. Bain, of England; Major and Mrs. George E. Pickett, Mrs. George E. Pickett, Jr., and Mrs. G. E. Pickett, the widow of the late General

Pickett; Miss Mary Torrence John C. Oliver. The entire party registered from Washington. Major Pickett is a paymaster in the United States army and is at the Chamberlin for a short vacation.

Another interesting visitor to the Chamberlin was Thero Newbury, of St. Gall, Switzerland.

William H. Cooke, a prominent business man of Manila, P. I., arrived at Old Point this week, and after a stay of several days at the Chamberlin will go to Washington.

Mrs. William Thomas Norton, who has been the guest this week of Mrs. Columbo J. Bonnevillie, in Hope Street, Hampton, returned to her home in Washington, Friday.

Washington people registered at the Chamberlin Hotel for the week are: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Williams, C. A. Janison, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Galloway, Mr. and Mrs. F. Brock, John Callahan, A. Stewart, J. Heimer, Mrs. Clarke, Miss Clarke, S. A. Teichfield, Miss J. L. Steele, F. C. Roach, Miss Duncan.

Major S. Roessler, U. S. A., also came down from Washington and spent the week at the Chamberlin.

Among the Washingtonians registering at the Sherwood Inn this week are: Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Lakeman, Frank J. Massey, E. M. C. Jones, C. F. Patter, E. S. Nurse, Paul Beckwith, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Rogers, H. B. Smith.

## TAKES A SCHOOL GIRL TO HEART AND HOME

Ex-Representative Smith of Michigan Weds Young Miss Bassett, Whom He Met in Washington.

Ex-Representative and Mrs. Henry Caserio Smith, the latter a pretty school girl of Washington, were married in New York a few days ago. Mr. Smith was Representative from the Adrian (Mich.) district, his term expiring with the last session of Congress, and is more than thirty years older than his bride, having been born in 1844, while she is only twenty.

The bride was a student at the Washington College, coming here from Norfolk, where her father, William B. Bassett, is a prominent and wealthy cotton broker.

Mr. Smith's first wife was Miss Emma Watts, and died about a year ago. While Mrs. Smith, the bride of a few days, was a school girl in Washington she was much entertained, and her beauty and mental gifts rendered her a great social favorite.

After spending about three months on a honeymoon trip, Mr. Smith and his bride will reside in Adrian, Mich., where the former is a prominent lawyer.



Representative H. C. Smith.

### Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Melling have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter, Gertrude H., and Sacket L. Dwyer, on Tuesday, October 4, at 5:30 o'clock, at Calvary Baptist Church.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Katherine Thom Wood, daughter of Lieut. Col. T. N. Wood, U. S. Marine Corps, and Mrs. Wood, to Capt. R. H. Dunlap, U. S. Marine Corps.

Rufus W. Leavitt has announced the engagement of his daughter, Miss Gertrude Leavitt, to Francis Du Pont Balch, son of Rear Admiral George B. Balch, U. S. N., retired. The date of the wedding has not been mentioned.

Invitations have been received in this city by a number of prominent people who are counted among the friends of Miss Sarah Larned Tyler, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Augustus C. Tyler, of New London, Conn., to her marriage to Edward Everett Marshall, of Philadelphia. The event will be celebrated in a church, but will be followed by a seated wedding breakfast for several hundred guests at the beautiful home of the bride's parents, "The Elms," at New London.

Miss Tyler made her debut in Washington, but has not spent much of her life here for several years past. The home of the Tylers in Washington is in I Street facing Farragut Square, and on the site of the ill-fated Tracy house, while "The Elms" is counted one of the most magnificent places in New England.

### Luncheon

The Bishop of Washington and Mrs. Satterlee invited as guests at luncheon today to meet the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Davidson, Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador; General and Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Hitchcock, wife of the Secretary of the Interior; Mrs. Gardiner Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, Admiral Dewey, Bishop and Mrs. Doane, General Crozier, J. Pierpont Morgan, General Wilson, Mr. Wilmer, C. C. Glover, and Mr. Holden.

### In the City

Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Weller, of Capitol Hill, have returned to the city from their European trip after an absence of six months, during which time they have made an extended tour of the Continent, followed by a visit to England, Wales, and Ireland, embarking for home on the Teutonic at Queenstown September 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Read, of Canton, Ohio, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John G. Price at their apartments in the Plymouth. Mrs. Read is a sister of Mr. Price.

Dr. F. Leo Quigley, who left this city three months ago to become resident physician of St. Joseph Hospital, St. Joseph, Mo., returned to this city yesterday for a couple of days, after which he will leave for Portland, Me., as physician for the United States Marine Service at Portland.

The Rev. W. M. Morgan-Jones and Mrs. Morgan-Jones have returned from their summer vacation in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. William Loeb, Jr., returned to Washington Thursday evening with President and Mrs. Roosevelt and are at 1729 Q Street, the residence occupied by them last winter.

Brig. Gen. and Mrs. J. Franklin Bell have as guests Dr. and Mrs. George F. Becker.

Brig. Gen. E. A. Carr has returned to Washington from Atlantic City and is making his home at the Marlborough.

A recent addition to the naval contingent in this city is Assistant Surgeon David C. Cather, U. S. N., who comes from the Naval Hospital in New York city, and is now connected with the Naval Museum of Hygiene and Medical School.

Gen. and Mrs. D. S. Gordon have returned to the city, and are residing at 281 O Street northwest.

Ferruccio Vitale, who was for some years on duty in this city as military attaché of the Italian embassy, has just been unanimously elected an honorary member of the National Society of the



MRS. LARZ ANDERSON.

Mrs. Larz Anderson, the owner of the beautiful white stone mansion on Massachusetts Avenue, which is nearing completion, has reached this side of the Washington this winter.

Before marriage Mrs. Anderson was Isabel W. Perkins, and her summer home, The Weld, at Brookline, Mass., is one of the great show places about Boston. During Mrs. Anderson's travels abroad she studiously collected many treasures for her house on Massachusetts Avenue, and will have the largest as well as the handsomest private residence at the Capital.

Army of the Philippines at the instance of Gen. Charles King. Mr. Vitale is a landscape architect in New York.

The "nearest of blood" to the first Earl of Athol, except for his maternal grandsire, was weighed in this city a few days ago, and tips the scales at 64 pounds. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Blair Rhodes, of 1701 Lincoln Avenue. His mother was weighed in the same scales twenty-two years ago.

Rear Admiral George A. Converse, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, returned to the Navy Department this week after a month's leave of absence spent at his old home in Norwich, Vt.

Mrs. Logan and the Misses Logan, wife and daughters of Major T. H. Logan, U. S. A., retired, of El Paso, Tex., are visiting the city and pleasantly situated at 2807 H Street northwest, where they will be glad to receive their friends.

Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture, will leave the city Monday for New York, and will sail for Europe Thursday, accompanied by Miss Evelyn Walsh.

Miss Evelyn Walsh, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, returned to New York this afternoon, after having spent three days in Washington as the guest of Secretary and Miss Wilson.

Commander William P. Potter, naval aide to Assistant Secretary Darling, has joined his family at Whitehall on Lake Champlain for a short visit, and will return to Washington October 5, and make his home at the Highlands for the winter.

Simon Wolf, accompanied by Mrs. Wolf, will leave the city on Thursday, September 29, to be absent six weeks. Mr. Wolf is making an official visit as president of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, and will speak in Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo, Rochester, Albany, Boston, and New York city.

Abner C. P. Shoemaker and his cousin, Wayne Ritchie, of Georgetown, have returned from a trip to seashore resorts of New Jersey.

Major John Ash and wife, of 905 North Carolina Avenue southeast, have left for an extended trip through Niagara Falls and Canada. They will return about November 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Des Garennes, whose wedding was an event of the early summer, have returned from the bridal trip to Europe, and are at 1728 P Street for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Leaman will be at home to their friends after October 1, at 125 N Street northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Hitt, the former secretary of the American embassy at Berlin, arrived in Washington last night and are stopping at the Arlington. Mr. and Mrs. Hitt attended the marriage of Miss Snyder to Count d'Alte in Philadelphia last week.

### Chit-Chat.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have as guests at the White House besides Mrs. Clifford Richardson, who came with them from New York, Mrs. J. West Roosevelt and Joseph Wilmer, both of whom are stopping in the house.

Baron Moncheur, the Belgian minister, and Baroness Moncheur have returned to the legation in H Street, after having spent the summer at the Warm Springs, Va.

Paymaster Samuel McGowan, U. S. N., and his mother, Mrs. H. I. McGowan, have taken apartments at the Rochambeau, in Connecticut Avenue, for the winter.

The Secretary of War will reach Washington Tuesday in time to attend the Cabinet meeting. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Taft and their children, and will take up his residence in his

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